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New Year's Blessing Services

Midnight service (Joya No Kane) -- December 31 at 11:45 p.m.

New Year's Day Service -- January 1, 2012 at 10:00 a.m.

Let's all begin 2012 with prayers for happiness and good health! Come and receive the blessings of the Buddha. Those who attend the midnight service are welcome to ring the temple bell (*joya no kane*) and enjoy hot soba noodles.

Hawaii Kannon *omamori* and *ofuda* will be available at both services for a donation of \$5 per omamori and \$2 per ofuda. *Omamori* are beautiful Buddhist charms from Japan that can be hung in one's vehicle or carried in one's purse. *Ofuda* are blessing cards that are placed in one's house, shop, or office.

Let's greet the new year with clear minds and calm hearts. Please feel free to invite your relatives and friends to the blessing services. All are welcome!

MOCHI TSUKI

Wednesday, December 28, 2011

Pick up your **pre-ordered** mochi from 9:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Help needed from 5:00 a.m. & throughout the day.

Daifukuji New Year's Party

Sunday, January 22



Members, supporters, and temple groups are invited to join our sangha in celebrating the Year of the Dragon at the temple's New Year's party on January 22.

11:00 a.m.

The party will be a fun-filled luncheon with delicious food made by our Fujinkai chefs and entertainment provided by Daifukuji's various temple groups. (Cooking will begin at 7 a.m. on Jan. 22. Help is appreciated.)

Lucky number prizes are needed. If you'd like to donate a prize, please deliver it to Daifukuji by January15. You do not have to bring a prize to the party.

To attend, please fill out the form included in this newsletter and return it with payment by January 8. We hope you and your family will join us.

Party Set Up:Help NeededSaturday, January 218:00 a.m.

We'll be setting up tables and benches starting at 8:00 a.m. on Jan. 21, the day before the party. Your kokua is appreciated.

New Year's Greetings from Rev. Jiko 新年あけましておめでとうございます!

Dear Daifukuji members and friends,

What a joy it is to look forward to the Year of the Dragon with all of you in my heart! Our sangha is being strengthened from the inside through your wholehearted practice, love, and dedication to the Three Treasures -- the Buddha, Dharma, and Sangha. It is being

strengthened from the outside by your love for each other and by your participation in our services, activities, and temple projects. I am looking forward to a year of further growth and positive change, a year of joyful fellowship that makes Daifukuji the special place that it is, and a year of strengthening our commitment to the way of life taught by the Buddha. Please know that I am here for you and only a phone call away, if you have a question or concern. Happy New Year, dear Sangha! Aloha and gassho, Rev. Jiko

Fujinkai Hatsumairi January 8



Daifukuji's women's organization, the Fujinkai, will be holding its *Hatsumairi* or first service of the new year on **January 8 at 10:00 a.m.** A meeting will be held following the service.

Lunch will be at the Royal Thai Cafe in the Keauhou Shopping Center and carpooling is available. Lunch for Fujinkai members will be provided by the Fujinkai. The luncheon fee for guests is \$15. District reps will be calling Fujinkai members for a headcount. **Those attending are asked to bring a \$5.00 grab bag.**

Ladies, let's welcome the Year of the Dragon with smiles and togetherness. Call Joyce at 329-3833 for information. Women ages 18 and up are invited to join the Fujinkai.

A Name That Sparkles

The Fujinkai Board has decided that it's time for the Fujinkai women's group to add a little sparkle to its

name. Suggestions are being accepted and will be voted upon at the Hatsumairi meeting on Jan. 8.

The Japanese word *Fujinkai* which means "Women's Group" will be kept. What's needed is a bit of sparkle at the end. Some suggestions that have been made are: Fujinkai Lotus Blossoms, Fujinkai Lotus Jewels, and Fujinkai Daughters of the Buddha. If you have a name to suggest, please give it to Joyce or Rev. Jiko before January 8. 2012 will surely be a year that sparkles!

Fujinkai Girl's Day Tea Party & Talk on Japanese Family Crests



Fujinkai members, as well as women interested in learning

more about the Fujinkai, are invited to a Girl's Day Tea Party to be held on **Sunday, March 4 at 1:00 p.m** at the temple. This fun event "just for girls" will feature Amy Nakade's set of Japanese Girl's Day dolls, an informative talk on *Kamon* or Japanese Family Crests by Walter Tachibana of Hilo, a cooking demonstration on making fancy mochi by Michiko Enomoto, and tea and fellowship. Ladies, please mark your calendars. There will be more information to come in the February newsletter.

Bento Sale Mahalo

The profit from the 2011 Coffee Festival Bento Sale was \$2975.00.



To our hardworking, congenial cooperative Fujinkai sisters "Domo Arigato!" for your help, contributions of Bento ingredients and generous monetary donations! Without some of your cooking expertise, we could not have carried out the Bento Sale successfully. Besides the Bento preparations, to those individuals who baked the manjus, made energy bars and preserved fruits, we extend our deep appreciation and THANK-YOU for all the extra time and effort.

To those who took charge of the booth set up, clean up and Bento Sale at the Coffee Festival, our BIG MAHALO! To our indispensable male helpers: Julio, Mune,



Myles and Steve, our hugs and kisses and THANK-YOU for assisting the ladies with the heavy jobs!

Happy New Year!

Bento Co-chairs,

Ella Yasuda and Thelma Matsumoto

Library News by Clear Englebert

"Timeless Spring: A Soto Zen Anthology" translated and edited by Thomas Cleary is a very special new arrival. The Soto school of Buddhism began in ninth century China, but the writings of the masters before Dogen are seldom seen in English. This anthology includes Keizan's "What to be Aware of in Zazen, Sitting Meditation" which I believe is his most accessible writing. It seriously changed my life.

The new DVDs are: "Journey into Buddhism: Dharma River", "Journey into Buddhism: Prajna Earth", and "Kagura: Kona Performance, August 21, 2011" by Aki Imai.

There are four new Japanese Buddhist art books. The first two are by Stephen Little: "Visions of the Dharma" and "The Alsdorf Collection of Japanese Paintings". They are published by the Honolulu Academy of Arts, as is "Sacred Treasures of Mount Koya" (in Japanese and English). There is also "Zen and the Art of Calligraphy: The Essence of Sho" by Omori Sogen and Terayama Katsujo. The wonderful thing about Buddhist art books is that absolutely everybody can enjoy them; they are never "too advanced" for anyone.

The other new arrivals are:

"The Work of This Moment" by Toni Packer

"A Book on Understanding the Workings of the Heart" by Myokei Kawamura (in Japanese)

"Pure and Simple: The Extraordinary Teachings of a Thai Laywoman" by Upasika Kee Nanayon

"Waking from the Dream" by Detong Choyin, an American-born Buddhist nun who was ordained by the Dalai Lama.

"Zen" by Toichi Yoshioka

"Bodhisattva Archetypes" by Taigen Daniel Leighton

"Everyday Blessings: The Inner Work of Mindful Parenting" by Myla & Jon Kabat-Zinn

"12 Steps on the Buddha's Path" by Laura S.

"The Collected Songs of Cold Mountain" translated by Red Pine



Happy New Year from the Daifukuji Zazenkai!

Zazenkai members and friends enjoyed a Bodhi Day breakfast at Teshima's on the last day of the Rohatsu Sesshin.

Zazenkai Potluck Breakfast Meeting to be Held January 4th

Zazenkai members are invited to attend a potluck breakfast meeting on Wednesday, January 4, 2012. Zazen will begin at 6:00 a.m. as usual. The meeting will follow the first sitting period at 6:30 a.m.

Topics to be discussed include plans for a 2012 Zen Retreat Day. For more information, please call Zazenkai president Coral Mack at 990-1451.

Thursday Evening Zen

Daifukuji Kannon Hall

7:00 - 8:30 p.m.

January 12 and January 26 (Zazen & Chanting)

January 19: Buddhist Movie "Refuge: All Questions About 'What's Contemporary Buddhism, Now?' Answered" (57 minutes)

Zazen is also held every Wednesday morning from 6:00 a.m. - 7:15 a.m. All are welcome. For information, call Rev. Jiko at 322-3524.

Saturday Morning Dharma Daifukuji Kannon Hall

Jan. 7 Sutra Tracing (Shakyo) 9:30 - 11 a.m.

Jan. 14 Precepts Study 9 - 10 a.m.

Jan. 28 Precepts Study 9 - 10 a.m.

Feb. 4 Sutra Tracing 9:30 - 10:45 a.m., Precepts Study 11 a.m. - noon

Feb. 11 Precepts Study 9 - 10 a.m.

Evening Precepts Study Feb. 7 & Feb. 21 7:00 - 9:00 pm.

For more information, call 322-3524.

Congratulations

Our Sangha congratulates Mrs. Fusano Harai who turned 100 years old on October 11, 2011. Mrs. Harai received a certificate of congratulations from the Consulate General of Japan. Omedeto gozaimasu!





The Daifukuji Happy Strummers wish everyone a Happy New Year! Here they are playing holiday songs for the folks at the Regency at Hualalai. A big mahalo to Henrietta Chee for the time, love, and excellent instruction that she's given to the group over the years.

2012 Membership Forms

You will find a 2012 temple membership form in this issue. Your support of Daifukuji Soto Mission sustains our temple and allows us to continue to offer the many Dharma programs and interesting activities which make our temple the wonderful gathering place that it is. In 2011, a new mauka parking area was created and handicap walkways installed at the columbarium and cemetery. This year and next, the focus will be on preparing for

Announcements

Family services begin on Sunday, January 15 at 9:00 a.m.

Taiko classes for adults begin on January 3. Classes will be held on Tuesdays from 6-8 p.m. and on Thursdays from 5 -7 p.m. in the Cultural Hall. For more information on Daifukuji Zen Taiko, call Kris Yamauchi at 854-1625, krissyamauchi@gmail.com. Daifukuji's centennial celebration in 2014. The altars and pews will be repaired and refurbished. Whatever contribution you are able to make will be greatly appreciated.

Please invite family members and friends to join our membership. We welcome everyone with much aloha.

Domo arigato gozaimasu. Thank you very much!

Coming up in February...

- Feb. 8 Project Dana
- Feb. 12 Nehan-e Service
- Feb. 15 Kannon-ko Service

Feb. 18-19 Spring Ministers Meeting & Hawaii Soto Mission Association Meeting

Feb. 25 Fujinkai Pancake Breakfast Fundraiser, Plant & Baked Goods Sale

2012 Memorial Services Chart

One Year Memorial Service (2011)

Joann Tanimoto	Feb. 5
Sueno Honda	April 1
Fumi Nakamoto	May 23
Sumie Inaba	May 27
Bernard Mochizuki	Aug. 4

3rd Year Memorial Service (2010)

Gilbert Hakoda	March 2
Kikuno Kimura	April 10
Shoji Yamane	Aug. 12
Toshiko Kimura	Oct. 4
Vernon Chang	Nov. 30
Taketo Sasaki	Dec. 1

7th Year Memorial Service (2006)

Katherine Shimizu	Jan. 22
Mildred Mitamura	July 26
Goro Inaba	Aug. 14
Stanley Shimizu	Aug. 27
Momoe Furuuchi	Sept. 6
Yasuno Sugamoto	Sept. 14
Mildred Murata	Oct. 13
Yoshiko Tanaka	Dec. 2

13th Year Memorial Service (1998)

Shigeru Kawai	June 7
Torao Suezaki	Aug. 22
Richard Yoneyama	Oct. 8
Momoyo Fukuda	Nov. 13
Ichio Arai	Dec. 27

17th Year Memorial Service (2000)

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Nelson Sakata	Jan. 17
Effie Yanagawa	Feb. 18
Fumi Inaba	April 25
Lorrin Sakata	June 12
Shigeru Akamatsu	June 20
Yoshino Murata	Aug. 2
Teruko Yamanaka	Aug. 19
Morito Miyose	Aug. 25
Linda Ashikawa	Dec. 28

23rd Year Memorial Service (1990)

Puninani Smith	Jan. 6
Tameyo Sakumoto	Jan. 26
Harold Wada	Feb. 2
Usaku Morihara	March 23
Isamu Oshima	April 9
Kume Tomono	Aug. 22
Kaoru Akamatsu	Dec. 26

27th Year Memorial Service (1986)

Feb. 8
March 27
Oct. 25
Nov. 22

33rd Year Memorial Service (1980)

Gunichi Yamanaka	Feb. 3
Bunsaku Sato	April 27
Seki Sugai	May 1
Shigeru Nakamura	May 9
Sadao Sumida	June 2
Yoshito Fukuda	July 27
Tane Miyose	Nov. 18
Isamu Ota	Nov. 22
Minoru Harai	Dec. 2
Masayoshi Horiuchi	Dec. 9

To arrange a memorial service, please call Rev. Jiko at 322-3524. Services may be held at the temple or at your home.

The names on this list are from the Daifukuji Record Book. Please inform Rev. Jiko of any errors. Thank you.

Daifukuji Soto Mission 2012 Annual Membership Form

Please check one of the following: _____Membership renewal _____New member _____Donation only. Wish to receive your monthly newsletter and be a supporter of the temple. Enclosed is my donation of \$_____. ____Please remove my name from your mailing list. Name______

***Permission** to use photos of your family taken at temple activities in newsletter, programs, etc.

Please list the members of your household who are members of the Daifukuji Soto Mission:

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Please make checks payable to <u>Daifukuji Soto Mission . Kindly turn in by June 1, 2012.</u> Membership forms and donations may be dropped off at the temple office or mailed to: **Daifukuji Soto Mission, P.O. Box 55, Kealakekua, HI 96750**. *Thank you.*

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Daifukuji Soto Mission New Year's Party Sunday, January 22, 2012 11:00 a.m.

Return Form With Payment by January 8, 2012

We hope you'll join us in celebrating the Year of the Dragon. There will be great food, entertainment, and prizes. If you would like to donate pupus, non-alcoholic beverages, desserts, or menu ingredients, please call Alfreida Fujita in the evening at 329-3457 by January 15. If you have any questions, please call Joyce St. Arnault at 329-3833 or Rev. Jiko at 322-3524.

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Kindly RSVP by January 8, 2012.

No tickets will be sent to you. Your name and record of payment will be available at the door. Our hope is that this prepayment system will simplify your entrance. You do **not** need to bring a door prize/gift to the party. However, if you'd like to donate a prize, please drop it off at the temple by January 15. Donations are appreciated. BYOB. (With a wish for everyone's safety, we recommend having a designated driver.)